

## 2021-2022 Weatherization Assistance Program State Plan

Citizen Participation Plan 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan FY2020 and FY2021 Recovery Housing Program Plans

> PUBLIC HEARING Wednesday April 14, 2021

#### HEARING FORMAT

#### Review and take comments on Weatherization Assistance Program Annual Plan

Presenter: Kathy Blodgett, ADOH Community Development and Revitalization Programs Administrator

Review and take comments on Citizen
Participation Plan, FY2021 Annual Action Plan,
and FY2020 and FY2021 Recovery Housing
Program Plans

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# Weatherization Assistance Program Annual State Plan





Increases energy efficiency while ensuring health and safety of household.







- U.S. Department of Energy \$2.1 Million Annual Allocation and est. \$1.4 million in carryover
  - Includes \$397K for Training & Technical Assistance split 50/50 with Sub-grantees
  - Anticipate approximately 300 households assisted.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (LIHEAP) \$4.28 Million
  - Anticipate approximately 500 households assisted.
- Southwest Gas Corporation (SWG) \$427K
  - Anticipate approximately 120 households assisted.

#### WAP Annual State Plan



- Required by Department of Energy (DOE) for distribution of DOE grant funding only.
  - 4 main sections
    - Budget
    - Annual File determines Sub-grantee allocation amounts and numbers of households assisted.
    - Master File determines client eligibility, Program Management, Monitoring and Training and Technical Assistance.
    - Health and Safety Plan
- Annual Plan for LIHEAP is prepared by AzDES
  - In consultation with ADOH
  - Federal funds distributed to AzDES who funds ADOH through an Inter-governmental Agreement
- SWG funding directed by Az Corporation Commission.
  - Allocation has been set at \$427,000 for several years





Currently 10 Sub-grantee Weatherization Providers awarded by method of distribution that considers service area, populations and poverty statistics.

Community Action Human Resources Agency (CAHRA)	Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG
Foundation for Senior Living Home Improvement (FSL Tucson)	Phoenix, City of
Gila County	Pima County
Maricopa County	Southeastern Arizona Community Action Program (SEACAP)
Mesa Community Action Network (MesaCAN)	Western Arizona Council of Governments (WACOG)

- Maximum DOE allowable average investment per unit \$7,776
- Priority households are:
  - Elderly (at or above sixty (60) years of age)
  - Persons with disabilities
  - Households with Children (at or below five (5) years of age)





- First (1st) Draft plan written in December 2020
- Subsequently distributed two (2) drafts to WAP Technical Committee, WAP Policy
  Advisory Committee and WAP Sub-grantees on two (2) different occasions requesting
  comments and input.
- Held two (2) meetings to discuss plan and receive any recommendations
  - WAP Technical Committee Training and Technical Assistance planning
  - WAP Policy Advisory Committee Annual Plan Review and Comment
- Third(3rd) draft was posted to ADOH website for public comment on April 1, 2021.
  - Public Comment accepted April 1, 2021 through April 15, 2021.
- Final WAP Annual State Plan is due to DOE by April 30, 2021.

### COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

 Weatherization Assistance Program Annual Plan





# Citizen Participation Plan FY2021 Annual Action Plan

#### Citizen Participation Plan

- Arizona
  Department
  of Housing
- Policies and procedures for public involvement in the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action
   Plan, and Recovery Housing Program Plan.
- February 2021 revision includes Recovery Housing Program Plan (RHP Plan) and RHP
   Annual Report
  - RHP Plan
    - Submission date may vary based on appropriation and allocation
    - 15-day public comment period
    - No public hearing required
    - Not part of the Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan
      - Joint public comment period and/or public hearing notice may be issued
  - RHP Annual Report
    - Completion date may vary
    - 15-day public comment period

#### FY2021 Annual Action Plan



- Addresses goals and objectives identified in the FY2020-FY2024
   Consolidated Plan
- Describes methods of distribution for and establishes annual goals and objectives for HUD Community Planning and Development resources
  - Arizona Department of Housing
    - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY2021 \$9,799,245
    - HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) FY2021 \$5,844,026
    - Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) FY2021 \$442,224
    - National Housing Trust Fund (NHTF) FY2020\* \$5,070,454
      - FY2021 Estimated \$11,400,000
  - Arizona Department of Economic Security
    - Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) FY2021 \$1,552,059





- Housing
  - State Housing Trust Fund
  - Section 811 Project Rental Assistance for people with developmental disabilities
  - Low-income Housing Tax Credits
  - Arizona Industrial Development Authority HOME PLUS mortgage program
  - Local and Private financing, equity, local donations, in-kind contributions, etc.
- Homelessness
  - Continuum of Care funding
  - Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing vouchers for rent subsidies to Veterans experiencing homelessness.
  - State Housing Trust Fund
  - Arizona Lottery
  - General fund appropriations
- Leverage resources are not included in Annual Action Plan goals and objectives

#### CDBG Method of Distribution, Funding & Goals



#### Method of Distribution

- Administration
  - 2% + \$100,000/year and 1% for technical assistance
- 10% Colonias Set Aside
  - Competitive applications
    - Every 2 years combined funding
- Remaining Funds
  - 85% Regional Account
    - Noncompetitive based on regional method of distribution
    - Two applications if one is for a public service or planning
  - 15% State Special Projects
    - Competitive applications
      - Infrastructure & housing
      - \$500,000 maximum

#### **Funding and Goals**

- Community Facilities & Improvements
  - 69% \$6.7M
    - 20,000 people (non-housing)
    - 30 households (housing)
    - Demolish 1 building
- Public Services
  - 1% \$100,000
    - 1,250 people
- Decent Affordable Housing
  - 26% \$2.5M
    - Rehabilitate 50 owner-occupied units

#### **HOME Method of Distribution and Funding Goals**



#### Method of Distribution

- 10% Administration
- 15% CHDO set-aside
  - Rental Housing Development
- Not less than \$3.5M for Owner-occupied Housing Rehabilitation
  - Priority to rural areas
- Remaining funds for Rental Housing Development
  - Acquisition and/or rehabilitation
  - New construction
- Notice of Funds Availability
  - Stand-alone or LIHTC gap financing
  - May be combined with NHTF, State Housing Trust Fund, NSP program income

- Owner-occupied Housing Rehabilitation
  - 50 units
- Rental Housing
  - Acquisition/Rehabilitation
    - 5 units
  - New Construction
    - 5 units





#### Method of Distribution

- 10% Administration
- 90% for Rental Housing for extremely low-income households
  - New construction
  - Acquisition and/or rehabilitation
- Notice of Funds Availability
  - Stand-alone or LIHTC gap financing
  - May be combined with HOME, State Housing Trust Fund, NSP program income

- Rental Housing Construction
  - 15 units
- Rental Housing Acquisition and/or Rehabilitation
  - 5 units

#### **HOPWA Method of Distribution and Funding Goals**



#### **Method of Distribution**

- 3% ADOH Administration
- Up to 7% Project Sponsor
   Administration
- Remaining funds for housing and services for people with HIV/AIDS and their families
- Project Sponsors reviewed annually

- Essential Services and
   Permanent Housing Placement
  - 50 people
- Homelessness Prevention –
   Short-term Rent, Mortgage &
   Utility Assistance
  - 45 households
- Tenant Based Rental Assistance
  - 30 households

#### ESG Method of Distribution and Funding Goals



#### Method of Distribution

- 7.5% Administration
- Remaining funds for shelter and services
- Competitive Request for Proposals
  - Combined with other homelessness funding
  - Grantees must participate in a Continuum of Care

- Street Outreach & Services
  - 200 people
- Rapid Rehousing
  - 100 households
- Homelessness Prevention
  - 100 households
- Shelter Operating
  - 200 people
- Shelter Improvements & Development
  - 5 shelter beds added

### COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

- Citizen Participation Plan
- FY2021 Annual Action Plan





# FY2020 and FY2021 Recovery Housing Program Plans

#### Recovery Housing Program (RHP) Overview



- HUD Pilot Program
  - Authorized under Section 8071 of the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act
  - Provide stable, temporary housing (up to 24 months) to low-income people in recovery from a substance use disorder
    - Substance-free (abstinence-focused) living environment affordable to low-income individuals
    - Initially house eight individuals
    - Exit eight individuals to permanent housing annually
  - Arizona will make grants to nonprofit subrecipients for construction, acquisition and/or rehabilitation of facilities or multi-family or single-family residential units
  - Must provide services directly or indirectly
    - No RHP-funded services or administration
    - Encouraged to coordinate with other assistance related to homelessness and employment
    - Suggested services case management, peer support, clinical addiction services, employment, vocational and educational, living skills, mental health services
    - AHCCCS will assist with coordination of services through health plans for enrolled individuals

#### Recovery Housing Program (RHP) Overview



- Generally treated as CDBG funds
  - Cross-cutting requirements (environmental review, labor standards, URA, antispeculation, financial management, etc.) apply
  - 30% expended by June 30, 2022 and 100% expended by September 1, 2025
  - Annual outcome report plus quarterly progress report during development phase
  - Minimum 5-year use period
  - CDBG waivers and alternative requirements
    - State may implement directly through subrecipients
    - No geographic limitations
      - Requires written consent of tribal jurisdiction if on tribal lands
    - AHCCCS enrolled are presumed eligible
    - New construction allowed

#### RHP Funding and Method of Distribution

Arizona
Department
of Housing

- FFY2020 \$804,000
  - 3% TA \$24,120
  - 5% State Admin \$40,200
  - 92% Projects \$739,680
- FFY2021 \$820,208
  - 3% TA \$24,606
  - 5% State Admin \$41,010
  - 92% Projects \$754,591
- Combined FY2020 and FY2021 NOFA for project funding - \$1,494,271
  - Coordinated through AZBOSCOC
  - Issued by mid-August pending HUD Plan approval
  - Initial (180 days) preference to projects outside of Maricopa and Pima counties

- RHP Plan details requirements
  - Subrecipients
    - Nonprofit organizations
    - Participate or agree to participate with CoC
    - Experience providing services
    - Ability to meet federal cross-cutting requirements
  - Projects
    - 2 HUD Criteria
      - Greatest need demand and financial assistance
      - Timely
    - State Criteria
      - Regulatory thresholds
      - Additional
        - Clear title
        - Environmental review completion or timing
        - Viability

### COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

 FY2020 and FY2021 Recovery Housing Program Plan



### ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMENT

- Weatherization Assistance Program Annual Plan and FY2020 and FY2021 Recovery Housing Program Plans
  - Accept written comments through April 15,
     2021
  - Submit written comments to:
    - publiccomment@azhousing.gov
- FY2021 Annual Action Plan
  - Accept written comments through April 30, 2021
  - Submit written comments to:
    - publiccomment@azhousing.gov



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